

In the Claims:

1-12. (Cancelled).

13. (New) A method comprising:

selecting a quadrant from a plurality of quadrants, in which the selected quadrant comprises a portion of a customizable display and the selected quadrant comprises a benchmark instrument;

retrieving a plurality of non-benchmark instruments, in which each non-benchmark instrument shares at least one variable in common with the benchmark instrument, and in which the benchmark instrument comprises a first type of instrument and one of the plurality of non-benchmark instruments comprises a second type of instrument;

retrieving market data for the benchmark instrument and the plurality of non-benchmark instruments; and

generating the customizable display in accordance to a layout, in which the customizable display comprises the selected quadrant and a plurality of other quadrants, and in which the selected quadrant comprises the retrieved market data for the benchmark instrument and the plurality of non-benchmark instruments.

14. (New) The method of claim 13, in which the layout is selected from a plurality of layouts.

15. (New) The method of claim 13, in which the layout comprises at least one of:

1x6;

2x3;

3x2; and

6x1.

16. (New) The method of claim 13 further comprising:
receiving a request to replace the layout of the customizable display with a second layout.
17. (New) The method of claim 13 further comprising:
receiving a request to replace the benchmark instrument with a second benchmark instrument, in which the benchmark instrument is associated with the selected quadrant;
selecting a second quadrant, in which the second quadrant comprises the second benchmark instrument;
removing the selected quadrant from a position in the layout; and
updating the customizable display to include the second quadrant, in which the second quadrant is located in the position that was formerly occupied by the selected quadrant.
18. (New) The method of claim 13 further comprising:
receiving a request to exchange a position of a first quadrant in the layout with the position of a second quadrant in the layout.
19. (New) The method of claim 18 further comprising:
determining that the request to exchange is a permissible option; and
updating the customizable display, in which the layout of the updated customizable display comprises the first quadrant being located in the position that was formerly occupied by the second quadrant and the second quadrant being located in the position of that was formerly occupied by the first quadrant.
20. (New) The method of claim 13 further comprising:
receiving a request to add a third benchmark instrument to the customizable display;

selecting a third quadrant, in which the third quadrant comprises the third benchmark instrument;

replacing the layout that was previously used by the customizable display with a second layout, in which the second layout decreases a size of each quadrant from the previous layout in order to accommodate the size of the third quadrant; and

generating the customizable display in accordance to the second layout, in which the customizable display comprises the third quadrant.

21. (New) The method of claim 20, in which the size of each quadrant comprises a minimum requirement.

22. (New) The method of claim 13, in which the customizable display comprises a maximum quantity of quadrants.

23. (New) The method of claim 13, in which at least one of the first type of instrument and the second type of instrument comprises at least one of: a bond, a futures, a stock, a debt, an equity, and another type of instrument.

24. (New) An apparatus comprising:
a processor; and
a memory, in which the memory stores instructions which, when executed by the processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 13.

25. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, in which the layout comprises at least one of:
1x6;
2x3;
3x2; and
6x1.

26. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, in which the processor further performs the method of claim 16.
27. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, in which the processor further performs the method of claim 18.
28. (New) The apparatus of claim 27, in which the processor further performs the method of claim 19.
29. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, in which the processor further performs the method of claim 20.
30. (New) The apparatus of claim 24, in which at least one of the first type of instrument and the second type of instrument comprises at least one of: a bond, a futures, a stock, a debt, an equity, and another type of instrument.
31. (New) An article of manufacture comprising:
a storage medium, in which the storage medium stores instructions which, when executed by a processor, direct the processor to perform the method of claim 13.
32. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 31, in which the layout comprises at least one of:
1x6;
2x3;
3x2; and
6x1.
33. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 31, in which the processor further performs the method of claim 16.

34. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 31, in which the processor further performs the method of claim 18.

35. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 34, in which the processor further performs the method of claim 19.

36. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 31, in which the processor further performs the method of claim 20.

37. (New) The article of manufacture of claim 31, in which at least one of the first type of instrument and the second type of instrument comprises at least one of: a bond, a futures, a stock, a debt, an equity, and another type of instrument.